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In re Patent Application of Robert Frischolz

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Title: PERSONAL RECOGNITION METHOD AND SYSTEM,
INCLUDING MODEL-BASED FINDING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patent and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the subject application, please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 3-8 without prejudice.

Please add the following new Claims 9-27:

-- 9. (New) The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the binarized image first

is compared on a small scale with a face model of corresponding small size, the area of the binarized image in which a face was found is enlarged and compared once again with a face model of corresponding larger size, the enlarging and comparing of the binarized